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Summer is over, it's tasks
are now done,
And Autumn is with us,
hurrah for the fun!
For with it come school days,
the best that can be,
And back to Pacific we come
in our glee.
We will master our lessons
tho some may be hard,
And "Can't," we will tie to a
post in the yard;
For where there's a will we know
there's a way,
And are sure perseverance will
win us the day.
Tho some of our students and
teachers are gone
Welcome the new ones, yes,
every one.
We extend to you greetings
true and sincere,
And expect of you co-operation
while here.
For these are the halls of learning
and fame,
And dear Old P. C. is a time honored
name.
"Work," is her motto in letters
of gold
And which on true blue o'er her
halls we unfold.

"Pluck," is the password of one, and
 of all
 Who would pass thru the ranks of
 P. C. and not fall.
 But along with our work many
 pleasures we meet,
 Which like the flowers lay
 bright at our feet,
 And which with the blessing of
 Him from above
 Fall'round us daily from
 One that is love.
 Again, Welcome! thrice welcome!
 to our college so true,
 Teachers and students, neath
 her Gold and her Blue.

MARY COOK, '11.

The Practical in Education.

The trend of the American toward the practical is especially noticeable in education. Latin and Greek are losing their imposing place of importance and trades are taking their places. The growth of the trade school has been marvelous. Almost every city has its business college. In San Francisco an effort has been made to get a new technical High School. The practical tendency expresses itself not only in the especial trade school but in college and university as well. Courses are specialized. Students spend their entire time and energy in one special line of work. The newness of the country, its rapid growth and its commercial demands exaggerate this tendency in Oregon.

On the positive side this tendency is a good thing. We need not fewer trade schools but more and better. The world rightly demands efficiency of its servants.

The school teacher must know how to teach as well as what to teach. The business man must know his own field. The jack-of-all-trades has no place in modern civilized life. Positively then this is a good thing.

From the negative side this tendency is decidedly harmful. The practical comes often at too great a cost. Students enter trade schools half prepared. The specialist becomes a mere machine. Take from him his one occupation and he can find no other. He is totally unprepared for citizenship and if he is not immoral he is not positively moral. The practical must come as an addition not as a substitute.

It is the duty of parents to give children the best possible preparation for life. It ought to include training for church and state. Men and women who care for clean politics and an active enlightened church, must not ignore those elements in child culture. Our high schools or colleges attempt to furnish this broad basis for life. To be sure these institutions have not reached a standard of perfection. They need not so much more courses as more thorough courses. There is little excuse for a boy or girl with good health beginning the actual work of life without a good high school education as a basis for that especial work. With numerous denominational colleges in the valley a college education with good moral influence is possible for most energetic intelligent boys and girls. The great university with its unguarded life, the trade school with its city environment is not a safe place for an immature boy or girl. These do not emphasize religious and general training. Oregon's greatest need is men and women of the highest morality, of the broadest culture and of the purest and most intelligent religion.

W. J. REAGAN.

Edith's Second Botany Lesson.

Edith Nelson was returning from school one afternoon when she met her grandfather who lived with her and her mother.

"Where are you going, grandpa?" she asked.

"It is such a beautiful day I could not resist the temptation to take a walk", was the reply.

"We had our first lesson in botany to-day and I want to find some flowers. Will you go flower hunting with me?"

"Certainly I will, Edith. Let us take this path to the farther side of the meadow to that old fence which is almost hidden with shrubs and bushes. I am sure we will find some flowers there."

The place was reached and the two botanists were not disappointed for they soon found some flowers hiding among the shrubs in the corner of the old rail fence.

"I think they are lovely," said Edith as she stooped to admire a flower.

"Yes," answered her companion, "Beecher said that flowers were the sweetest things that God had created and forgotten to put a soul into, and I think he was about correct"

"It is a pity to tear them apart to see how they are made, isn't it grandpa?"

"I agree with you," her grandfather answered. "I suppose you will understand them better in some ways after you examine them under your teacher's direction, but to me they are to be enjoyed, like music, rather than understood."

The two continued their search for flowers until they had as many as they could handily carry, then, at

the suggestion of the elder they sat down on an old stump to rest.

"I am glad you love the flowers, Edith. Let me give you a lesson in botany which will help you after you have forgotten all the big names your teacher will give you. We say they can't talk, yet we use them to say for us what we ourselves cannot express in words. There are times when words though kindly spoken seem harsh and too gross a medium for the expression of our feelings. It is then that we use flowers. You have often noticed Mrs. Winslow place flowers upon the church altar, have you not? She can't hear well and seldom takes part in the church service, yet the fragrance of those flowers ascend in perpetual worship to the Most High. You see flowers upon graves also, a beautiful reminder of the hope of the resurrection."

"Here, grandpa, is a brightly-colored flower but it has no fragrance at all."

"Yes, they are even poisonous sometimes. Beware, Edith, of such human characters. Brilliant are not always the best people to associate with. Sweet flowers are never poisonous."

"There are many interesting legends connected with flowers, but we must return now or we shall be late to dinner."

Public Speaking.

Every person who attempts public speaking is confronted early in his career with the question; "How much shall I write?" He must choose whether he will write his entire oration and memorize it or write nothing, relying on his own resources to speak impromptu, or will rely on extemporaneous speaking thinking out

beforehand what he may say, but making up the details of language and rhetorical form as he speaks. This question is one of serious moment for such habits ill formed in the beginning of a career many times are responsible for the failure of many public speakers. On the other hand habits well formed are equally potent for success.

Let us examine the relative value of each kind of speaking.

First we will consider the written oration. Did you ever hear a preacher read his whole sermon sentence by sentence from a manuscript? Consider the effect on the audience. Further, he who has his oration written is powerless if anything unexpected arises or if his written speech does not fit the occasion. But still again must we object to this method. The memory is taxed at the expense of the other faculties. So severe is the mental and nervous exertion in memorizing the speech and worrying over the liability of forgetfulness that it tends to diminish the spontaneity and quickness of thought. In this respect, then, is the audience severed from the speaker. One final objection is that the longer one memorizes his speeches, the longer he will be compelled to do so.

Regarding the impromptu speaking for the beginner little need be said. For him to attempt impromptu speaking is like trying to learn to swim by jumping into mid ocean. The element of form is lost, they never learn how to preserve their strength for some purpose. Their forces are wasted because of poor management.

Good extemporaneous speaking is the triumph of oratory. It consists in thinking before an audience and expressing the thoughts as they arise in the mind. It

is assumed that the speaker shall have had time to think of what he will say and to prepare a few notes or even a brief.

The advantages of extemporaneous speaking are many and great. First is the power of adaptation which it gives to the speaker. His speech is not set. He can put in his argument any idea which circumstances may make necessary or can even adopt a new line of exposition. If he sees his argument is misunderstood he can stop and explain. His is the spontaneous outgoing of thought, of passion, of conviction of sentiment, an expression of joy or sorrow, admiration or aversion, love or hatred. The speaker can thus adapt himself to the mood of the audience. Then, too, there is a great physical advantage for the voice is made deeper, stronger and more flexible. Again the reflex sympathy comes with full power only to the extemporizer. "Eloquence is not in the man, but in the audience"

But as in all other kinds of speaking, extemporizing has its dangers which must be overcome. The chief one is exaggeration. Through uncertainty or being carried away on a tide of eloquence one is apt to make untrue statements, to magnify "few" into "many" or "often" into "always." Other dangers are awkward repetitions of words or phrases. But these can be overcome by practice. A good vocabulary may be obtained from reading good books or the study of foreign languages. But the greatest aid to extemporaneous speaking is practice—practice even amid discouraging failure. Some one has said: "Whenever anyone is fool enough to ask you to speak be fool enough to do it."

ROY FITCH '10.

Library Notes.

The new accessions to the library are:

Dictionary of the Bible—Hastings.

Life of William Shakespeare—Sidney Lee.

Shakespeare as a Dramatic Artist—R. G. Moulton.

Shakespeare's Heroines—Anna Jameson.

The Messianic Hope in the New Testament—Shailer Matthews.

Latin Manuscripts—H. W. Johnston.

Roman Political Institutions—Abbott

The Subconscious—Joseph Jastrow.

Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1908
2 vols.

Our list of periodicals for the coming year are:

Outlook.

Independent.

World's Work.

Current Literature.

Century.

McClures.

Pacific Monthly.

Everybody's.

Ladies Home Journal.

Scientific American. (By gift of E. H. Woodward.)

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Education.

American Friend.

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"Too narrow east and west."

"I like him."

"Fine fellow."

"Sport."

"I tell you. Professor Marcy is just fine. We'll sure know something if he teaches us very long."

"If you say anything bad about him I'll get mad at you."

WEESNER—

"Sawed off."

"He's interested in things."

"Looks like a dutchman."

"He's splendid."

"What a head he has on him."

"Thorough and particular as can be."

"Say, Professor Weesner is a German isn't he?"

"Doesn't it look funny to see Prof. Marcy and Prof. Weesner going down street and see them talking so confidentially and Weesner looking up at Marcy?"

MRS. HODGIN—

"Looks like she could teach Latin." (A first impression.)

"Knows Latin."

"Terrible."

"She's all right."

"Fine Teacher."

MRS. REAGAN—

"Explains things until you understand them."

"Odd."

"Good."

"Means for you to be good, don't she?"

"I think the new faculty is fine."

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The Crescent greets the old students and members of the faculty and extends a hearty welcome to the new. We are glad to see the new fitting so readily into our college life and we are also glad for the new vigor and enthusiasm which they are instilling into the old forms. In spite of the fact that there may be a disappointment in numbers, the outlook for a pleasant and successful year is very encouraging.

Here's to the best year P. C. will have seen!!!

An editorial in a recent number of the University Life ought to be read by every student in Pacific College. It urges the student to patronize its advertisers and more than that let the advertisers know where their advertisements were seen.

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who by their advertising make The Crescent possible. There is always the danger of accepting what comes to us from day to day as a mere matter of fact and thus becoming ungrateful often toward our greatest benefactors. Students who are not closely connected with a college paper don't realize that the business men of a college town are among the students' best friends. When a firm offers a trophy in athletics or oratory, it is heralded far and wide. They say that that man is promoting college activities. So he is, but we forget that a college comes in contact with its neighbor colleges only two or three times a year in this way while by means of a paper, schools of all ranks far and near are in constant touch with each other by the exchanging of these publications. Patronize our business friends and thank them for their patronage.

Formal Opening.

Although registration began on Monday, November 27, the formal opening of the college did not occur until Wednesday, November 29. At ten o'clock the chapel was filled with students and friends of the college the former anxious to begin the work of a new year, the latter anxious that the highest ambitions of the students, as far as possible be realized.

The following program was given. Piano duet, Mrs. and Miss Hull; vocal trio, Miss Romig, Professor Hull and Mrs. Spaulding; 'cello solo, Professor Hull. Address by President Kelsey, subject, "Why Should a Boy or Girl go to College?" Introduction of New Teachers.

If the opening may be taken as an indication, the year '09-'10, will be a successful and pleasant one.

Reception to New Students.

On Friday evening, October 8, occurred the annual reception, given to the students and faculty by the Christian Associations.

A song medley started the evening's entertainment. Each person was given the title of a song and requested to go about singing it, and as four or five were given the same song small groups were soon "getting acquainted." The ice was broken and the restraint sometimes felt was absent during the evening. The next event was a contest, with a prize, college penant, offered. Miss Pearl Moore won by securing the greatest number of words out of the letters which spell Pacific College.

By this time the guests were sufficiently acquainted with each other to be grouped in "two's." The gentlemen blindfolded were led into a roomful of ladies and requested to choose a partner. This ordeal over, the ladies proceeded to sketch their partners and the gentlemen to write descriptions of theirs. Professor Reagan then spoke a few words of welcome and explained the purpose of the Christian Associations in the college. When it is said that refreshments were served the program is completed, but this article would be incomplete were the decorations not mentioned. Many have said the association room never looked prettier and cosier. A few extra rugs, a divan, some maple bows tinged with red and yellow and a few pot flowers, artistically arranged by Mary Cook and Lorena Kelsey worked wonders and aided much in making the evening a pleasant one.

Hallowe'en Socials.

On Friday evening preceding Hallowe'en the Student Association celebrated in the gymnasium by playing games, music and reading. The decorations were in keeping with the occasion, the rooms being so profusely decorated with evergreen branches and even small trees that a decided forest effect was produced. In the absence of moonlight Jack-o-lanterns served admirably. Refreshments of grapes and pumpkin pie were served in pumpkin platters.

Miss Lucile Davis entertained at "Dew Drop Inn" on the evening of October 30. Miss Davis was known to have extraordinary powers but the way she summoned ghosts, whose wishes and commands not one of the guests dared disobey, and witches with their culdrons predicting future events was a surprise. She also exerted her powers to such an extent that in spite of the ghostly surroundings and incantations of witches every one spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

Visitors.

There have been several visitors this month including members of the Alumni, friends of the college and strangers. Those taking part in chapel exercises were Dr. Bell, pastor of Presbyterterian Church at Corvallis; Dr. McKinsey, of the Presbyterterian Educational board; Mrs. Shephard, a temperance worker of Utah.

Other visitors were Mrs. Martin, member of the College Board of Managers; Rev. and Mrs. Charles Replogle, of Everett, Wash.; Oscar Cox, '98; Bertha Cox, '00; Mr. Barnum, of Northwestern Dental College; Merritt Wells, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Osborn, of Ohio.

Alumni.

CLASS OF '09.

Ernest Hadlock is attending the Acme Business College of Seattle, Wash.; Eula Hodson is teacher of Primary grades at Springbrook, Ore.; Haines Burgess, student at Pullman College; and Roy Mills, bookkeeper for Spaulding Logging Company, Newberg, Ore.

CLASS OF '08.

Alice Hayes, student at University of Oregon; Arthur Wilson, with the Telephone Company, Portland, Ore.; Lena Spangle, teacher in Newberg Public Schools; Harrold Vickrey, with the Portland Electric Company; Edna Forsyth, attending business college, Portland.

Nellie Paulsen, '07, is a senior in Penn College, Iowa.

Rollin W. Kirk, '98, is principle of the Corvallis Public Schools.

Chas. A. Morris, '05, visiting in Newberg having completed a course of study in a school for jewelers at Peoria, Ill.

Walter B. Hadley, '01, has retired from the Government Forestry Service and expects to ranch in California.

The Star Lyceum Course.

Students will do well to secure season tickets for the Star Lyceum Course of five numbers. It will afford entertainment through the winter season of a high order, and at a very moderate cost. The first number will be by the Central Grand Concert Company, on date of Wednesday night, November 24, at Duncan's hall. This company is composed of two ladies and two men and the entertainment they give is as good as the best. Roy Fitch will supply you with season tickets.



Rev. Weaver's chapel talk was good as usual.

Tennis was freely indulged in until the rains set in.

Professor Nave, of Albany College, was a Dormitory guest October 7.

Professor Newlin seems to have let his "Fletcherism" mantle fall upon Mrs. Douglas.

Harvey Wright attended the meeting of the state basket ball league in Portland October 16.

Clifford Hadley, of Turner, Oregon, is the last new student to arrive. He is staying at the dormitory.

Riley Kaufman, Maude and Mable Haworth and Lucy Mills are in school again after missing a year or two.

The funeral of Mary Osborn occurred in Newberg October 7. Mrs. Osborn was formerly matron of the Dormitory.

Owing to the fact that so many of the football players were two or three weeks late a team was not organized this year.

Among our new students for this year are three Newberg High School, '09's; Maude Gregory, Muriel Youngs, and Kathryn Bryan.

Laura Hammer visited friends at the college and in Newberg, October 14-15. All are sorry, and especially the senior class, that she will not be with us this year.

The September Penn Chronicle states that Penn College has two students from the Pacific Coast. They are both P. C. students, Russell Lewis and Nellie Paulsen, '07.

Riley Kaufman was elected vice president of the Athletic Association and Claude Lewis vice president of the Student Body Association. Both elections were to fill vacancies caused by absence of old students.

New paint on the College, Gymnasium and Dormitory are timely improvements and add very materially to the general appearance. The varnished desks in the assembly room are in harmony with the outside improvements.

The Dormitory is being run on the club plan this year. The building is nearly full and more expected. Every thing is moving nicely and all having a pleasant time in spite of the fact that a majority of the faculty are housed within its walls.

The Agoretorn and Helianthus Clubs have discontinued their organization and a new literary society organized with Roy Fitch, President; Claude Newlin, Vice-President; Kathryn Bryan, Secretary; Gladys Hannon, Treasurer; and Claude Lewis, Marshal.

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